

#### **Spring Update - 2021**

- Dental Assisting Program
- Veterinary Technician Program
  - Each dollar was matched by the State of South Dakota
- Mobile Construction Laboratory
  - Henry Carlson provided the trailer, our students and faculty are retrofitting it into a mobile construction laboratory
  - Will work with Habitat for Humanity and City of Sioux Falls to renovate low income housing in the "Sioux Falls Laboratory"





#### **Working with Veterans Recognition**

#### Military Friendly® Names Southeast Tech to Top 10

College Among Best Small Community Colleges in Nation



Southeast Technical College announced today that it has earned the 2021-2022 Military Friendly® School designation and is a Top 10 school in the Small Community College category.

Institutions earning the Military Friendly® School designation were evaluated using both public data sources and responses from a proprietary survey. Over 1,200 schools participated in the 2021-2022 survey with 747 earning the designation.

As a Military Friendly® Top 10 School, Southeast Tech is considered a guidon bearer for military and veteran programs and initiatives, setting the standard for other institutions.

"We are both honored and proud to receive a Top 10 Military Friendly® designation at Southeast Technical College," said President Bob Griggs. "Our Veterans and military personnel are an essential part of today's

workforce, and we recognize the importance of providing resources and support for them, as we do all students.

Methodology, criteria, and weightings were determined by Viqtory with input from the Military Friendly® Advisory Council of independent leaders in the higher education and military recruitment community. Final ratings were determined by combining the institution's survey response set and government/agency public data sources, within a logic-based scoring assessment. Southeast Tech's ability to meet thresholds for Student Retention, Graduation, Job Placement, Loan Repayment, Persistence (Degree Advancement or Transfer) and Loan Default rates for all students and, specifically, for student veterans, were taken into consideration.

#### **Spring Graduation – Friday, May 7**

- Ceremony at 2:00 pm
  - Healthcare, Law Enforcement, Early Childhood
  - Senator John Thune
- Ceremony at 5:00 pm
  - All other programs
  - Representative Dusty Johnson
- Employer Partner of the Year











# Thank you. Questions?

# WESTERN TECH

#### Board of Technical Education



April 8, 2021









## **ATEA Faculty Award Finalists**

**Ethan Burk** 

**Automotive Technology** 





**Mandy Hertel** 

**General Education** 





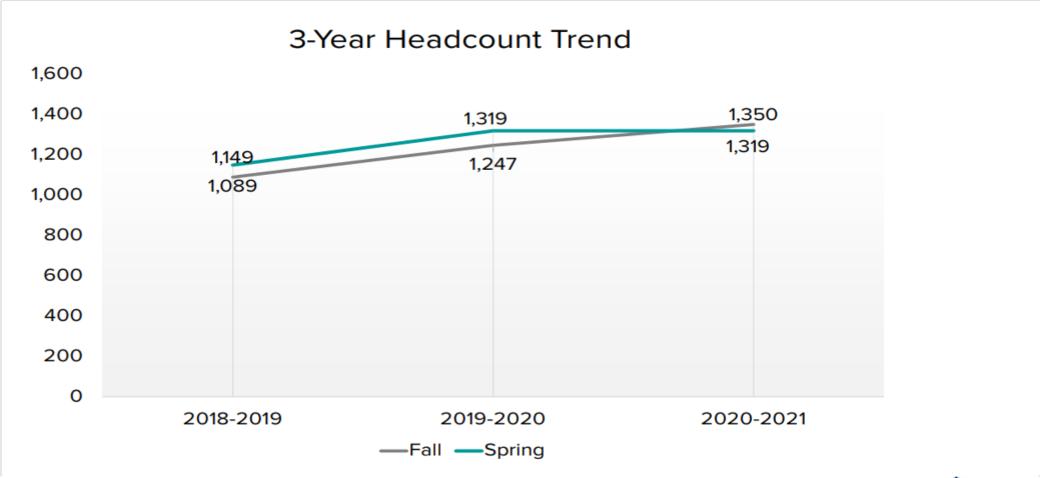
# New Strategic Plan—2021-2026

Western Dakota Tech leads through

- ✓ Innovating in Technical Education
  - Access and enrollment, retention, financial stability
- ✓ Advocating for Technical Excellence
- ✓ Driving Economic Growth



## WDT Enrollment Trends







# DAKOTA T E C H



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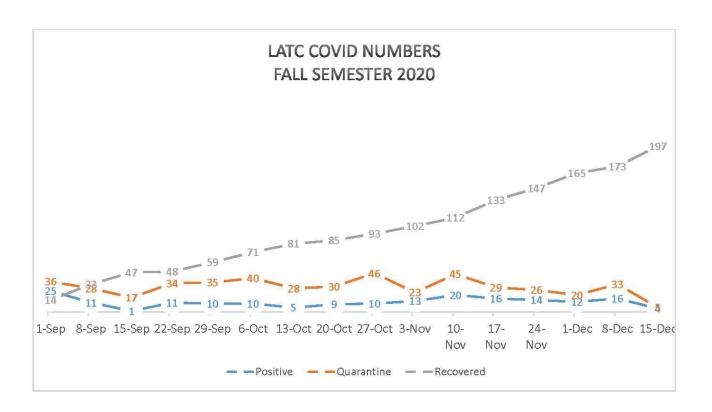
State Board of Tech Ed Update











Mitigation approach continued to be effective:

- High Daily Positive Cases since January 2021 7 cases
  - Average has been less than 3 active at any given time

LAKEAREATE THE Revised masks policy to expected in common areas

#### Happenings at Lake Area Tech



- Prairie Lakes Healthcare Center of Learning
- Parking lot build-out underway

- Archway Complex and Diesel Expansion are in Design
- Aspen Book: "Student Success in the Community College: What Really Works"
  - One of Four Colleges featured in College Leadership Chapter
- Fall 2021 Enrollment looking strong
  - Strategic Expansion of program
- Other Accolades







### What's Coming

- Meat Processing Registered Apprenticeship
- Jack Links Plant Maintenance Registered Apprenticeship
- Anticipating \$5.1M in next round of HEERF
  - 50% for emergency financial aid
- Governor's Luncheon 10 May
- Face-to-Face Graduation planned for 14 May





- GRADUATION is set for MAY 7th
  - > 3 separate graduation ceremonies by Academic Divisions
- COVID plan "Return to Campus, Remain on Campus"
  - > continues to be very effective

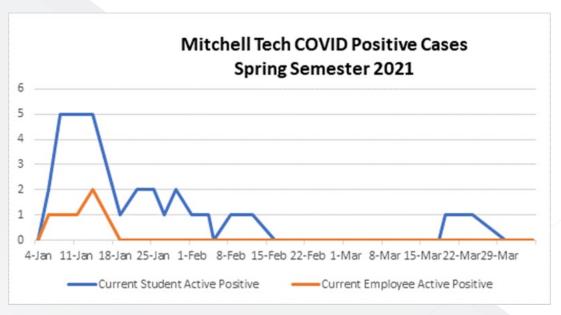
Vaccinations by:

Lewis Drug

for Faculty & Staff:

1<sup>st</sup> dose March 19<sup>th</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> dose April 16<sup>th</sup>

\*\*72% vaccinated



Coronavirus Dashboard - Mitchell Technical College



## Campus Updates

- Higher Education Emergency Relief Act Grants
  - Student Emergency Aid Expenditures 3/2021 = \$879,422
  - $\triangleright$  Institutional Aid Expenditures 3/2021 = \$ 425,562 (Est.)
- Gardner Institute Equity in Retention Academy
  - Center for Student Success Staff members
- RN Program set to start the Fall of 2021
  - Faculty have been hired
- Build Dakota/Double Edge
  - Finalizing numbers and beginning the awarding process
  - Several first time Double Edge employers



# Facilities Updates

- Finalizing remodeling plans for the RN Program Area
  - Will be completed by Fall 2021- 2nd Floor Campus Center
- Finalizing remodeling plans for the Business Program Area
  - Will be completed by Fall 2021 Muth Electric Technology Center
- Fitness Center-Update
  - Will be 100% equipped and finished for Fall 2021 Muth Electric Tech Ctr.
  - GOAL-24/7 student access

